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Attorney Docket: HKO-6Axis-USNP  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE**  
**STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3)**

The Assignee respectfully requests consideration of the attached information disclosure statement and the references cited therein. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure statement is being filed during the period specified in 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b), to the best of the undersigned's knowledge.

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, the following information may be material to the examination of the referenced application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(g), this Information Disclosure Statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made. A copy of each item not previously submitted in the parent application is enclosed together with a listing similar to PTO Form 1449 for the examiner's convenience.

The Assignee also notes that US Pat. 6,121,955 (cited herein) appears to serve as the priority document for TW392123 (also cited herein). As such, and after a comparison between the two references (from which, e.g., the Assignee has concluded that the figures of the two

patents are identical), the Assignee considers such US patent to be, in effect, a translation of TW392123. For this reason, the Assignee asks the Office use US Pat. 6,121,955 as an English translation of TW392123. The Assignee considers this entirely appropriate, but if the Office deems Assignee's request in this regard as inappropriate, Assignee asks the Office contact the undersigned as soon as possible.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**I. U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO. & KIND CODE (if known)	PUB'N DATE mm-dd-yyyy	PATENTEE OR APPLICANT NAME	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Drawings Appear
	4,533,827	08-06-1985	Fincher	
	6,121,955	09-19-2000	Lui	

**II. FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	Foreign Patent Document Country Code, Number, Kind Code (if known)	PUB'N DATE mm-dd-yyyy	PATENTEE OR APPLICANT NAME	TRANSLATION	
				Yes	No
	TW392123 (Priority document is US Patent No. 6,121,955 (cited above))	06-01-2000		x	
	TW417054	01-01-2001		x	
	TW481284	03-01-2002		x	
	TW426167	03-11-2001		x	

**III. OTHER DOCUMENTS**

	Office Action from parallel Taiwanese Patent Application Number 92128428, mailed July 6, 2006 (Engl. Txlat. Prov'd)
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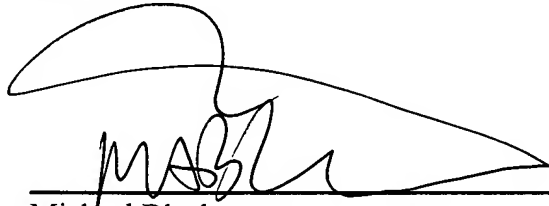
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I, Michael Blackmore, hereby certify to the truth of the following items:

1. I am an employee of Santangelo Law Offices, P.C., 125 South Howes, Third Floor, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521.
2. I have this day deposited the attached Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3) along with copies of each Foreign Patent Document and Non-Patent Literature Document cited; Letter of Transmittal; and return post card with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, postage prepaid, for mailing to: Mail Stop Group Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following documents:

- a. Information Disclosure Statement by Assignee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (b)(3) along with copies of each Foreign Patent Document and Non-Patent Literature Document cited;
- b. this Letter of Transmittal;
- c. a Certificate of Mailing and a return postcard.

Please confirm receipt of the documents by applying your date stamp on the enclosed postcard and returning it to me.

I have this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007, either myself personally or through my direction of staff at this office, deposited all of the items in the above letter of transmittal with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, for mailing to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

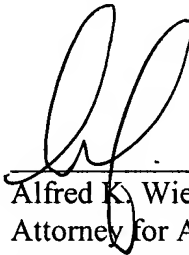
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